

**Employment Status for the Civilian Population
District of Columbia,
Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area
December 2012/a**

Net Change From

	Dec/b 2012	Nov/c 2012	Dec/d 2011	Nov/c 2012	Dec/d 2011
Seasonally Unadjusted					
Washington, D.C.					
Civilian Labor Force	366,000	364,300	342,300	1,700	23,700
Total Employed	334,400	334,300	308,600	100	25,800
Total Unemployed	31,600	29,900	33,700	1,700	-2,100
Unemployment Rate	8.6	8.2	9.8	0.4	-1.2
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division					
Civilian Labor Force	2,567,600	2,571,000	2,533,300	-3,400	34,300
Total Employed	2,432,700	2,440,900	2,393,400	-8,200	39,300
Total Unemployed	134,900	130,100	139,900	4,800	-5,000
Unemployment Rate	5.3	5.1	5.5	0.2	-0.2
Suburban Ring					
Civilian Labor Force	2,864,600	2,870,400	2,839,300	-5,800	25,300
Total Employed	2,728,200	2,738,200	2,702,100	-10,000	26,100
Total Unemployed	136,400	132,300	137,200	4,100	-800
Unemployment Rate	4.8	4.6	4.8	0.2	0.0
Washington, D.C. MSA					
Civilian Labor Force	3,230,600	3,234,700	3,181,600	-4,100	49,000
Total Employed	3,062,600	3,072,500	3,010,700	-9,900	51,900
Total Unemployed	168,000	162,200	170,900	5,800	-2,900
Unemployment Rate	5.2	5.0	5.4	0.2	-0.2

a/ Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

b/ Preliminary.

c/ Revised.

d/ Data reflect benchmark revisions.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes The District of Columbia, Virginia Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia Counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland Counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia County of Jefferson.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the Counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Suburban Ring includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area excluding the District of Columbia

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